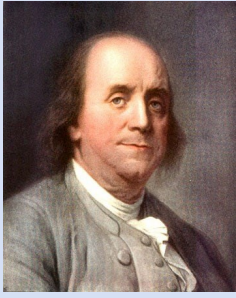


# Ben Franklin News



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## Patriot Pledge

I will be:

- Respectful
- Responsible
- Safe

## Mark your calendars!

### March 9

PTA Meeting 3:00 PM

### March 13

One-Hour Early Release

### March 17

Report Cards Sent Home

### March 20

Traveling Lantern Assembly

The story of Ben Franklin

9:30

### March 22

Girls Basketball Skileree at  
Lakeshore Elementary 3:45

### March 23

Boys Basketball Skileree at  
Lakeshore Elementary 3:45

### March 24

Boys Basketball Skileree at  
Lakeshore Elementary 3:45

### March 24

Family Fun Night  
DIY Birdhouses 6:30 to 8:00 PM

### April 3 to 7

Spring Break

### March 27

One-Hour Early Release

**STAY INFORMED OF  
SCHOOL EVENTS  
VISIT OUR FRANKLIN  
WEBSITE!**

<http://franklin.vansd.org>



## Proud Patriots



### *Words from our Principal:*

Yes ate eat them in a box,

Yes ate eat them with a fox.

Yes ate eat them in a house.

Yes we will eat them with a mouse.

Yes we ate those green eggs and ham.



Yep that's right, Mark Matthias & Beaches Restaurant did it again. They came and served every 1st grade student and their guest(s) another delicious breakfast of Green Eggs and Ham. Vancouver School District (VSD) Foundation joined in the fun by providing a book to each first grade student. In addition to the regular fun Beaches crew, This great tradition is in honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday.

We want to thank Beaches Restaurant and the Foundation for their kind sponsorship of what is becoming a great School District tradition.

Congratulations to Tristan Legan, William Higgins and Gavin Cheng (and their families). They were the lucky drawing winners of gift certificates for a family dinner at Beaches.

*Sincerely*

*Woody Howard*

Thank you, Vancouver, for your continued support of public schools!

Election results are in, and the **bond measure** that will rebuild or upgrade every school in the district is passing. Election results announced Feb. 15 revealed 69.68 percent "yes" votes and enough voter turnout to validate the election.



Patriot Pride Day—Wear **RED**, **WHITE** AND **BLUE**, EVERY FRIDAY

*The vision of our community is to provide an environment that will help students become respectful, responsible and safe citizens.*

## Keeping you informed



### Important Dates 2017

DON'T FALL BEHIND

SPRING FORWARD INSTEAD!

Remember to set your clocks ahead one hour!

Daylight Saving Time

Begins Sunday March 12th

### *Mandarin Immersion Program*

**Must attend a Parent information night**

April 10, 4:00 PM – Program applications available

April 10, - Franklin Resident registration opens

**April 11 4:00 PM – Parent information night**

**May 4 4:00 PM – Parent information night**

May 5 3:00 PM – Application deadline – Must be turned into Franklin Office  
(Receipt will be issued)

May 9 3:30 PM – Lottery drawing at Franklin

May 10 - Lottery winners register ASAP

May 17 – Registration deadline for Mandarin Program

June 1 – Kindergarten Round up & Open house 9:00 AM



### **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION, 2017-2018**

**REGISTRATION BEGINS APRIL 11, 2017**

To register for kindergarten, bring proof of birth date and records of immunization to your neighborhood school.

We recommend parents register their children by May 1st to ensure that you and your child receive an invitation to attend the Kindergarten visitation program this spring.

### **BOUNDARY TRANSFERS**

**Out of district requests will be Available  
after May 1, 2017.**

# FUN THINGS HAPPENING AT FRANKLIN!

## Counseling Notes from Mrs. DiMurro:

Hello Franklin Families!

**Reminder:** Random Acts of Kindness Week is next week from February 27 through March 3, 2017.

Each day students and staff will focus on showing kindness in various ways. Each day of the week during lunch/recess from 11:35-12:45 we will have kindness stations set up for students to make pictures, thank you cards and kindness notes.

### Ways we can show kindness are:

- Smile at someone
- Lend a helping hand
- Give positive affirmations
- Give someone a thank you note
- Draw someone a picture
- Be cheerful
- Compliment someone



### Don't forget Random Acts of Kindness Spirit days:

Mon. -Wear pink or red to show our support for "Spreading Kindness"

Tues. -Krazy socks day for "Krazy for Kindness"

Wed. -Backward shirt day for "Words that hurt can't be taken back" (please no hoodies)

Thurs. -We will be providing heart stickers for students for "Wear your heart on you sleeve"

Fri. -Pajama day for " We dream of Kindness"

Special Thank you to parents, families and students for all of your help, creativity and Kindness!

## CHANGE IN LAST MINUTE GOING HOME

We have an increase of parents calling in the afternoon, changing the go home plans for their student. Preferably, arrangements should be made before your student comes to school and presented in writing; If an emergency arises, please notify the school by email, or fax , so there is no confusion at the end of the day.

Calling classrooms for last minute changes is very disruptive to the learning environment. Please help by us sending a note with your student. This allows us to make the changes prior to the teacher's lunch time.

### You're Invited to the Vancouver Public Schools Elementary Art Show!!

**VSAA 3101 Main St. Vancouver, WA 98663**

**Thursday, March 9th 4:30-6:00. The art will be on display at VSAA for the month, once taken down, the artwork will be returned. Hope to see you there!**

**The following students have artwork displayed in the show!**

Olive L Ms. Hu	Leanne C. Ms. Hu	Sydney W. Ms. Xu	Juda B. Ms Xu	Camryn H Ms. Satre	Brody C Ms. Satre	Hazel R Ms. Guo
Emma M.G Ms. Guo	Nathan R Ms. Vestal	Hannah G Mr. Mueller	Raya J Ms. Thurman	Isabella B Ms. Zhang	Austin H Ms. Li	Camille M Ms. Li
Charlyne S. Ms. Li	Avery S. Ms. Li	Amanda S. Ms. Zhang	Mia R. Ms Li			

